

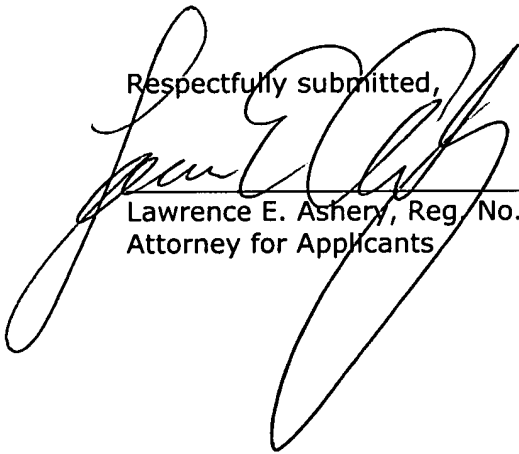
Amendment to the Abstract:

The Abstract has been amended. A revised Abstract is attached.

ABSTRACT

The eye image pickup device ~~of the present invention~~ includes an eye image pickup unit for capturing an eye image, a display image formation unit for forming a display image almost too low in quality to be used for authentication by degrading an at least iris-containing area in the eye image, and a display unit for displaying the display image.

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